

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE



OFFICIAL WARNING
VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

CASE NUMBER:
LA160001

VIOLATOR:
Harvey Kliebert Farms
Customer# 17196
License# 72-C-0218

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, ZIP Code):
41067 West Yellow Water Rd.
Hammond, LA 70403

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed violations of the following sections of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 9:

Date(s): May 20, 2015

§2.131(b)(1)- Handling of animals

Handling of all animals shall be done as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma, overheating, excessive cooling, behavioral stress, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort.

Date(s): August 12, 2015 and May 20, 2015 (repeat)

§3.127(d) Facilities, outdoor

Perimeter fence. On or after May 17, 2000, all outdoor housing facilities (i.e., facilities not entirely indoors) must be enclosed by a perimeter fence that is of sufficient height to keep animals and unauthorized persons out. Fences less than 8 feet high for potentially dangerous animals, such as, but not limited to, large felines (e.g., lions, tigers, leopards, cougars, etc.), bears, wolves, rhinoceros, and elephants, or less than 6 feet high for other animals must be approved in writing by the Administrator. The fence must be constructed so that it protects the animals in the facility by restricting animals and unauthorized persons from going through it or under it and having contact with the animals in the facility, and so that it can function as a secondary containment system for the animals in the facility. It must be of sufficient distance from the outside of the primary enclosure to prevent physical contact between animals inside the enclosure and animals or persons outside the perimeter fence.

The above is not intended to be an all-inclusive list. Please know that you are responsible for ensuring that your facility, animals, and property are in compliance with the Animal Welfare regulations. Inspection reports can be found on APHIS' website at:

<https://acisearch.aphis.usda.gov/LPASearch/faces/Warning.jspx>.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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